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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director of Operations

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Could you let me know why it is necessary for Eastman to work a 24-hour day in order to complete reproduction requirements. I assume the reason is to clean up their backlog before our next round of operations begins. It should be understood, however, that although we hope to run one mission in late February our operations concept then calls for a delay until after delivery of [REDACTED] 355 and 349 to [REDACTED] which can hardly be accomplished before 18 March. Accordingly, it would seem to me that the only new work which will arrive at Eastman before, at the earliest 25 March, will be one Far East mission plus, perhaps, one Middle East mission. I should think all of our planning should be on the basis of some such schedule as this. There is no urgent need to clean up the backlog as early as 3 March. May I have your views.

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